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U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 2 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.0 million head on September 1, 2005 according to the USDA-NASS Minnesota Field Office. The inventory was slightly above September 1, 2004 and 2 percent above September 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 1.99 million, 5 percent below 2004 and 16 percent below 2003. This is the lowest placements for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.94 million. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 418,000, 600-699 pounds were 385,000, 700-799 pounds were 540,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 650,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 2.03 million, 6 percent above 2004 but 2 percent below 2003.

Other disappearance totaled 53,000 during August, 5 percent below 2004 and 12 percent below 2003.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States 2004-2005 ¹**

| State | Sep 1, 2004 | Aug 1, 2005 | Sep 1, 2005 | | |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | | Number | as % of 2004 | as % of Aug |
| | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>Percent</i> | <i>Percent</i> |
| AZ | 296 | 313 | 314 | 106 | 100 |
| CA | 520 | 530 | 530 | 102 | 100 |
| CO | 930 | 820 | 770 | 83 | 94 |
| ID | 245 | 250 | 250 | 102 | 100 |
| IA | 375 | 400 | 395 | 105 | 99 |
| KS | 2,130 | 2,190 | 2,210 | 104 | 101 |
| NE | 1,800 | 1,730 | 1,770 | 98 | 102 |
| NM | 129 | 134 | 135 | 105 | 101 |
| OK | 325 | 320 | 320 | 98 | 100 |
| SD | 138 | 143 | 132 | 96 | 92 |
| TX | 2,670 | 2,890 | 2,800 | 105 | 97 |
| WA | 175 | 137 | 139 | 79 | 101 |
| Oth Sts | 255 | 235 | 235 | 92 | 100 |
| US | 9,988 | 10,092 | 10,000 | 100 | 99 |

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

**Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States 2004-2005**

| State | During Aug 2004 | During Jul 2005 | During Aug 2005 | | |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | | Number | as % of 2004 | as % of Jul |
| | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>Percent</i> | <i>Percent</i> |
| AZ | 30 | 29 | 35 | 117 | 121 |
| CA | 63 | 72 | 62 | 98 | 86 |
| CO | 205 | 125 | 155 | 76 | 124 |
| ID | 58 | 36 | 51 | 88 | 142 |
| IA | 62 | 49 | 69 | 111 | 141 |
| KS | 520 | 480 | 520 | 100 | 108 |
| NE | 420 | 325 | 415 | 99 | 128 |
| NM | 23 | 23 | 28 | 122 | 122 |
| OK | 76 | 62 | 70 | 92 | 113 |
| SD | 25 | 15 | 24 | 96 | 160 |
| TX | 530 | 400 | 480 | 91 | 120 |
| WA | 36 | 26 | 30 | 83 | 115 |
| Oth Sts | 54 | 36 | 54 | 100 | 150 |
| US | 2,102 | 1,678 | 1,993 | 95 | 119 |

United States Cattle on Feed 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

Million Head

